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P&amp;G Case 8384

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the application of :  
 Nabil Enrique Salman et al. : Confirmation No. 9701  
 Serial No. 09/745,702 : Group Art Unit 3721  
 Filed December 21, 2000 : Examiner Thanh K. Truong  
 For Portable Packaging Device And Method For Forming Individually Packaged Articles

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**PETITION TO DELETE INVENTORS UNDER 37 CFR §§1.48(b)**

Commissioner for Patents  
 P. O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In conjunction with the filing of a RCE Under 37 CFR 1.48(b) of the above application Serial No. 09/745,702, filed December 20, 2000, Applicants' Attorney hereby petitions to delete the following inventor(s) from this application:

Andrew Lloyd Bouthilet

This deletion of inventors is requested since Claims 12-20 of the above application S.N. 09/745,702 have been canceled. The above-identified inventor was originally named because of his contribution to claims 12-20 of the currently claimed invention. However, as a result of a restriction requirement issued on August 23, 2002, claims 1-11 were elected as the claims for further prosecution.

It is respectfully requested that this petition be granted.

The fee for this Petition to Delete Inventors is \$130.00 (37 CFR 1.17(i)).

The Director is hereby authorized to charge the above fees, or any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company. A duplicate copy of this form is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



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